

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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In the matter of,)	Docket No. 09-OII-1
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Order Instituting Informational Proceeding)	NOTICE FOR THE STATE
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act)	ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCE
)	REBATE PROGRAM

Notice of Closure of Rebate Offer Period for Specific Appliance Categories

The California Energy Commission's Ad Hoc Committee on Federal Stimulus Programs (Committee) provides public notice that the rebate offer period for the following appliance categories will close on **December 31, 2010**:

- Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Systems (HVAC)
- Water Heaters

Ending the rebate offer period for these appliance categories is consistent with the California State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program Guidelines (Guidelines) and necessary to control over-subscription and to facilitate validation of claims to determine compliance with program rules. Rebates are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible residential consumers who submit a complete application for a qualified energy efficient appliance postmarked no later than December 31, 2010. All new rebate applications postmarked after December 31, 2010 will be placed on a waiting list and awarded on a first-come, first serve basis as funds are available. The closure of the waiting list will be announced at a later date based on the availability of funds.

Consumers whose applications for HVAC or water heater rebates were received on or before December 31, 2010 and are incomplete or incorrect will have 30 days from the postmark of their notification of rejection to correct or complete their applications. Only complete and accurate applications will be placed on the waiting list. All other applications will be denied.

This closure is effective only for the appliance categories listed above. The rebate offer period for refrigerators, freezers, clothes washers, dishwashers and room air conditioners closed on December 6, 2010.

The *Guidelines* were developed to help implement and administer rebates for qualifying appliances under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. The U.S. Department of Energy has allocated to the Energy Commission \$35.2 million in ARRA funds to implement a State Energy Efficiency Appliance Rebate Program for

California that provides rebates to encourage the replacement of inefficient residential appliances with new energy efficient residential appliances. The Guidelines establish the eligibility and procedural requirements to qualify for rebates for the purchase of eligible residential appliances. The *Guidelines* are available on-line at: www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/index.html. Printed copies of the Committee Draft version of the Guideline changes may be obtained by contacting:

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